Special Advisory Election

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors adopt a resolution providing for and giving notice of a Special Advisory Election to ask voters if they support seeking to change the California Constitution and the Los Angeles County Charter to make the position of Los Angeles County Assessor an appointed position instead of an elected position; and consolidate the Special Advisory Election with the Statewide General Election to be held in the County of Los Angeles on November 6, 2012.

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Re: Advisory Election for the Assessor

Dear Supervisors:

As you requested on July 3, 2012, please find enclosed a resolution and ballot question calling for an advisory election for the purpose of asking voters whether the Los Angeles County Assessor should be an appointive or elective position.

If you have questions concerning this matter, please feel free to contact our office.

Very truly yours,

JOHN F. KRATTLI

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By

BRANDI M. MOORE

Deputy County Counsel

Government Services Division

APPROVED AND RELEASED:

JØHN F. KRATTLI

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Enclosure

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RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES PROVIDING FOR AND GIVING NOTICE OF A SPECIAL ADVISORY ELECTION TO BE HELD IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ON NOVEMBER 6, 2012, AND CONSOLIDATING THE SPECIAL ADVISORY ELECTION WITH THE STATEWIDE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 6, 2012

WHEREAS, Article IV, Section 12 of the Los Angeles County Charter provides that the Assessor shall be an elected County officer;

WHEREAS, Article XI, Sections 1 and 4 of the California Constitution were amended in 1988 to provide for an elected Assessor in all counties in the state;

WHEREAS, Elections Code section 9603 allows a Board of Supervisors to hold, at its discretion, an advisory election to allow voters to voice their opinion on substantive issues or to indicate approval or disapproval of a proposal;

WHEREAS, an advisory vote is not binding on the Board;

WHEREAS, it is necessary and desirable, to obtain input from the qualified voters of the County as to whether the voters support amending the California Constitution and the Los Angeles County Charter to provide for an appointed Assessor; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles that:

SECTION 1. Call of the Election and Purpose. A special advisory election is hereby called and ordered to be held in the County of Los Angeles on November 6, 2012, for the purpose of submitting to the voters of the County the advisory question

whether the California Constitution and Los Angeles County Charter should be amended to make the Los Angeles County Assessor an appointed position.

SECTION 2. Resolution Establishing Ballot Proposition. The advisory question shall appear on the ballot substantially as follows:

ADVISORY VOTE ONLY	
Do you support seeking to change the California Constitution and the Los	YES
Angeles County Charter to make the position of Los Angeles County Assessor an appointed position instead of an elected position?	NO

SECTION 3. Voting Area. The voting area for the advisory question includes all qualified voters residing in Los Angeles County, both incorporated and unincorporated areas:

SECTION 4. Consolidation. The special advisory election called by this Resolution shall be consolidated with the statewide general election conducted by the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk in the County of Los Angeles on Tuesday, November 6, 2012. The advisory question shall be placed upon the same ballot as that provided for the general election. The precincts, polling places and precinct board members shall be the same as provided for the statewide general election.

SECTION 5. Proclamation. Pursuant to section 12001 of the Elections Code, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles hereby PROCLAIMS that a special advisory election shall be held on Tuesday, November 6, 2012, to vote upon the advisory question described in Section 2 of this Resolution. The polls shall be open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

SECTION 6. Election Procedure. All qualified voters residing within

Los Angeles County shall be permitted to vote in the election for the purpose of
allowing said voters to voice their opinions on the advisory question, and in all
particulars not recited in this Resolution, the election shall be held as nearly as
practicable in conformity with the Elections Code of the State of California. The votes
cast for and against the question shall be separately counted, but shall in no manner be
controlling on the Board of Supervisors pursuant to Elections Code section 9603.

SECTION 7. Authority. This Resolution is adopted pursuant to section 12001 of the Elections Code and section 25201 of the Government Code. The Executive Officer Clerk of the Board of Supervisors is ordered to file a copy of this Resolution with the Registrar-Recorder at least eighty-eight (88) days prior to the day of the election.

The foregoing resolution was on the _____ day of August 2012, adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles and ex officio the governing body of all other special assessment and taxing districts, agencies and authorities for which said Board so acts.



SACHI A. HAMAI Executive Officer Board of Supervisors

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APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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